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## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 21-32.

(twice amended) A process for preparing a detergent tablet having two or more regions comprising the steps of:

- (a) compressing a particulate composition comprising a detergent active component to form a compressed region of the tablet having a recess;
- (b) delivering to said recess a solution or melt comprising a mixture of at least one detergent active component and a fusible carrier material, said fusible carrier material comprising PEG 400 and PEG 12000; and
- (c) solidifying said solution or melt to form a region mounted in said recess.
- 6.37. (amended) A process according to claim 35 wherein said detergent actives are selected from the group consisting of soil release compounds, enzymes, bleaching agents, bleach activators, alkali sources, surfactants, silver protectors, builders, disintegrating agents, effervescing agents or mixtures thereof.
- (twice amended) A process according to claim 33 wherein said step for delivering the melt or solution to the recess comprises adding a volume of melt or solution equal to the internal volume of the recess so that upon solidifying of said melt or solution, the surface of the tablet is smooth.

q. 41. A process according to claim as wherein (twice amended)